WASHINGTON, D. C., TUESDAY EVENING, APRIL 8, 1890.

A BABY'S SKULL IN A TEAPOT.

Lightning Unearths a Mystery of the

this place was struck by lightning and

ing it up and cutting away the mass of

STORM IN MILLVILLE,

ever visited the southern part of New

Jersey. A large oak tree in West Mill-

places in and around the city.

PICKPOCKETS EMPLOY FIRE.

Can be Robbed.

practice in the Bowery on Saturday.

Brooklyn.
One of them poured kerosene oil from

put out the blaze, the other got App-man's gold watch and chain. But De-

FOR A BROTHER'S MURDER,

Ruscals Fired Into a Train and Killed

FRANKFORT, KY., April 8.-Albin

Barnes and George Stephens fired into

a passenger train to-day on the Ken-

tucky and South Atlantic, leading from

Mount Sterling up into the mountains, and killed Will Barnes and Kelly B.

Day. The double murder occurred at a place called Chambers' station, about

ten miles east of Mount Sterling. Day

at Barnes. Almost eleven years ago

ago Will Barnes, who is a cousin to

Albin Barnes, killed a man named

der and Will Barnes was sentenced to

life imprisonment for it. He was

afterwards pardoned by Governor

CLEVELAND AND BLAINE,

The Secretary's Attitude Toward South American Republics Criticised,

view with Samuel Mendum, secretary

of the United Question Clubs, ex-Presi-

dent Cleveland criticised Mr. Blaine's

attitude toward the South American

Republics in a pleasant way and said h

thought the Secretary of State would

eventually see the wisdom of coming

out strongly for reciprocity. The ex-

effect which a reimposition of the duty on hides would have upon New Eng

land leather industries, and said the effect of the McKinley bill would be to

increase the demand for a real reform of the tariff laws.

A DEFAULTER PUNISHED

Five Years for Stealing a Michigan County's Money,

EAST SAGINAW, MICH., April 8.

Charles H. Dixson, formerly deputy

county treasurer, who was recently ar-

rested in Chicago and brought here for

trial on a charge of embezzlement, he

having appropriated to his own use several thousand dollars in money belong-

ing to the county, was yesterday after-noon sentenced to five years' imprison-ment at hard labor in the State prison

Her Jewels on Another Woman,

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, April 8.

Lorenzo S. Stevens, a rich nephew of

Sidney Dillon, the New York million-

aire, has been sued by his wife for

grand larceny, said to have been com-mitted while she was in California re-

and if he took any of her precious jew-

els and gave them to other women while he was intoxicated, his friends

say, he has only taken his own, since he gave Mrs. Stevens all she had.

FORT DODGE, IOWA, April 8 .- James

Coleman, a farmer living near this city,

was arrested yesterday for fast driving.

After his arrest it was discovered that

He is said to have been hilari-

in their home during her absence

at Jackson.

Boston, April 8 .- In a recent inter-

Stephens, the brother of

the innocent victim of a shot aimed

It was a cold-blooded mur-

Two Men.

arrested both men.

Man's Cont-Tails Ablaze So that He

# NAVY-YARD EMPLOYES.

MACHINIST CHASE ARGUES POWER-FULLY IN THEIR BEHALF.

Regulation of Steam Engineering and Revision of District Laws Considered-Proceedings of Both Houses of Congress and of the Committees,

In the Senate to-day House bill to admit free of duty articles intended for the St. Louis Exposition in September and October, 1890, that may be Import ed from the Republic of Mexico, was amended by adding the words "and other American repuqlics and the Do-monion of Canada," and as amended the bill was returned a conference

A resolution to pay to the brother and representative of the late James Christie, assistant sergeant-at-arms of the Senate, six months' salary was re-

ported and agreed to.

Mr. Uall offered a preamble and resolution relating to the newspaper statements as to the packing of juries in the Northern District of F.orida. It went

over until to-morrow.

The Montana election case was taken up and Mr. Spooner continued his argument in support of the Republican

# In the House

In the morning hour the House passed public land bills as follows:

Providing that persons settling on the second indemnity plat of the North-ern Pacific Railroad grant, between August, 1887, and January, 1889, may transfer their entries from that tract to other Government land subject to entry. To cause certain land at the head waters of the Mississippi, St. Crolx, Chippewa and Wisconsin rivers, set spart for reservation purposes, to be restored to the public domain.

For the disposal of abandoned military reservations in Wyoming Terri-

Y., to purchase, under the town site law, a strip of the McKinney military

Authorizing the entry of public lands by incorporated cities and towns for cemetery and park purposes.

A bill was passed requiring purchase of lands in the Pawnee reservation in Nebraska to make final payments.

A bill to prevent allens from enlist.

A bill to prevent aliens from enlist-ng in the United States Army after July 1 next was debated and passed. On motion of Mr. Adams of Illi nois, the House reconsidered the vot by which the bill making an appropria tion to supply the deficiency caused by the Silcott defalcation and the bill wa then passed.

The House then went into Committee

of the Whole on the Naval Appropria-

A National Bankruptcy Law. The House Committee on the Judiciary completed its consideration of the Commercial Convention's National Bankruptcy bill to-day and ordered it to be reported favorably. Mr. Culberson of Texas gave notice that he would make a minority report and submit his bankruptcy bill, already introduced. The convention bill has been changed in its phraseology, but the principles which it embodies re-

A favorable report was ordered on a bill introduced by Mr. Henderson of North Carolina amending the internal

The New Patent Office. Major Butterworth, from the Committee on Patents, to-day reported to the House the bill appropriating \$3,000,-000 for the erection in this city building for the Patent The report accompanying the bill is long and exhaustive. It takes the ground that the Bureau of Patents readily be shown to have contributed in a larger measure than any other bureau or Department of the National Government to the development of our industries and in enabling us to attain our present unequaled pros-perity in the field of industrial arts and

District in Congress Mr. W. W. Chase, a machinist in the Navy Yard, appeared before the House Committee on Naval Affairs this morning and made a strong and effective argument in favor of the passage of House bills 4580 and 4581, both introduced by

The first is a bill to remunerate em-The first is a bill to remunerate employes of United States navy-yards for time lost in consequence of injuries received in said yard. It provides that any such employe so injured shall receive his or her pay while suffering from such injury, but such payment is not to continue for a period exceeding treaty of consequence weeks. twenty-six consecutive weeks.

Mr. Lodge of Massachusetts.

The second is a bill to regulate the pay of employes at the Washington Navy-Yard. It provides "that the pay of all per diem employes of the United States navy-yard at Washing-ton, District of Columbia, shall be rated by, and in accordance with, the pay of per diem employes of the same navy-yard at Brooklyn, N. Y.: Provided, That said per dlem employes shall continue to be classified and graded in the same manner as at the time of the passage of this act, and that all 'brass and iron finishers' shall be rated the same as machinists of like grades; and the Secretary of the Navy is hereby authorized and directed to cause the execution of the provisions of

Mr. Chase is a young man of fine presence, and he made a powerful ar-gument in favor of the bills and pro-duced a most favorable impression upon the members of the committee. A delegation of six or eight citizens interested in the subject came up to the Capitol to day to confer with Mr. Burton, who has in charge House bills 099 and 8294, to amend the act to regulate steam engineering in the District. These bills were each introduced request," the first by Mr. Hemphili, the second by Mr. Skinner. Each provides that steam engineers or handlers of steam plants shall be regularly licensed by the Commissioners, and provision is made for their examination and penalties precribed for a violation of the law. As Mr. Burton was not in the city the delegation went away, to

come back another day. House bill 3900, for the revision and consolidation of the laws relating to municipal affairs in the Dis-trict, introduced by Mr. Mc-Kinley "by request," was referred to the Commissioners. The bill directs that the Commissioners and the Attorney for the District examine certain manuscript volumes prepared by Josiah Quincy Kern, and if, after such examination, they shall be of the opinion that these volumes comprise a complete and satisfactory revision and consolidation of all statutes and parts of statutes relating to municipal affairs in the District in force on December 1, 1889, and of all orders, rules, regulations and ordinances relating to such affairs made in pursuance of law and having the force and effect of law at the said date, they shall so state in writing, and the Commissioners shall thereupon pur-chase the said volumes from Mr. Kern

at a compensation not to exceed \$7,000. The Commissioners are required to report to Congress, on the first day of its next regular session, the action taken by them under the provisions of this act, together with their recommendations in relation to the said

Capitol Notes,

The House Committee on Commerce this morning bad up the question of re-organizing the whole Life-Saving Serv-

The Butterworth bill directed against dealing in "options" and "futures" in the necessaries of life was reported to the House to day.

### MR. RANDALL'S CONDITION.

A Rumor that He was Dying Denied by His Family.

Ex-Speaker Randall is in a dying condition, says a Washington special to the New York Tribune, a fact which is now realized and believed by his family. Until to-day his wife, who has been most faithful in her attendance upon him, has been strong in the hope and expectation that her husband would pull through. Now she is prepared for the inevitable. Mr. Randall has been low all day. During the last forty-eight hours he has failed to recognize any of his family. It is apparent that he is sinking steadily, and his death is imminent.

Mr. Randall's family say that he is not in a critical condition, as above re-ported; that he passed a very-comforta-ble night, and that he is better to-day

than he was last week.

It is learned, however, from what is regarded as a reliable source, that ex-Speaker Randall has been in an alarming condition during the past forty-eight hours. His life was practically despatted of but it is was practically despaired of, but it is said this morning that he has rallied and is in no imminent danger.
"Congressman Samuel J. Randall

will be renominated, re elected, and will sit in the Fifty-second Congress." said 'Squire McMullen to a Philadelphia Times reporter last night, after he had alighted from the Congressional limited train from Washington which arrived train from Washington, which arrived

about 7:20 o'clock.

"Mr. Randall is improving very rapidly," continued the 'Squire, "and is beginning to look as he did in days of the past. He is personally attending to his correspondence and is almost daily in consultation with leading members of both Houses of Congress. His friends in the District appreciate his services to the party and to them and will gladly welcome his restoration to

"My stay in the city of Washington was very short," said the 'Squire, "but I tell you it did me a heap of good, and you can say that I authorize the statement regarding Mr. Randall's renomination and election."

### COUGHLAN NOT GUILTY.

Charges of Violating a Gag Rule that Were Not Sustained. Secretary Tracy to-day approved the findings in the court-martial case of Commander J. D. Coughlin, recently of the Mohican. The court-martial finding was a scotch verdict of not en. The charge was wrote an article for ejo (Cal.) Chronicle, w proven. the

criticised the action of his superior officer. This in the naval regulations constitutes a breach of discipline this he was tried, but the editor of the paper—the only person by whom the charge could be proven—refused to appear before the court. As there is no law to compel the attendance of witnesses before a naval court-martial, and as Commander Coughlan en the court entered a verdict in accordance evidence brought before it,

#### and found a verdict of not guilty. MR. WARNER HONORED.

Directors of Columbia Bank Show Their Respect and Confidence. A full meeting of the directors of the Columbia Bank was held to-day. By the unanimous choice of the board Mr. B. H. Warner resumed the presidency of the bank, Colonel A. T. Britton having insisted upon his declination of that position, but consenting to continue to serve as vice-president. The directors will, on Saturday evening, at Willard's, present Mr. Warner testimonial of their respect and confidence. He resumes his former position with the bank, with larger

previous date in its history.

Marriage licenses have been issued to Huezuga Hamilton and Mary O Camp, Leesburg. N. J.; Edward J. Enthoffer and Edith E. West, Washington; James Wallace and Chambers, Washington; Wm. Newley and Willie Sorrel, Washington; C. F. Bacon and Mary S. Ashby, Washington; William T. Collins and Maggie A. Corrigan, Washington; Lawrence York City; William Houisty and Emma Page, Washington.

deposits and greater assets than at any

Postmaster-General Wanamaker has prepared for publication in the forthcoming monthly postal guide a circular letter addressed to all postmasters, ask ing for contributions to a postal museum to be established in connection with the Postoflice Department of Washington, to contain a permanent exhibit of such articles as will illustrate the growth of the postal service in the United States and the methods employed therein.

Policy Operators in Court, The policy men who were arrested Saturday by Detective Block appeared court to-day and demanded a jury trial. Their demand was granted. They were Frank Thompson, Ed. King. Thomas Bell and Andrew Wood. gave bonds for their appearance in the Criminal Court.

For Selling Lottery Tickets,

William Edgar, who runs a cigar store at No. 704 Seventh street, was arrested to-day by Detective Block for selling Louisiana lottery tickets. The case was heard in the Police Court this

afternoon. On Waiting Orders, Captain F. V. McNair has been de tatched from the Omaha and placed on

## 'TEA-PARTY" POLITICS.

HOW LIBERAL PRINCIPLES ARE SOUGHT TO BE INCULCATED.

Popular\_He Has a Good Voice, and Is Liked by the Correspondents Latest European Gossip.

LONDON, April 8 .- Although dissolution, concerning which predictions and rumors were frequent enough a few weeks ago, does not seem to be imminent the Liberal organizations are preparing an active campaign for a general election. The best speakers on the Liberal side are constantly in the field wherever an election is proceeding or a political meeting can be held, carrying on the liberal propaganda—working, and especially among laboring classes. Pursuing the plan of interesting and winning the masses before the time for election presents itself, the Liberal organizations of the country have adopted a system of holding concerts, conversaziones, etc., at which a musical programme is rendered, interspersed with political speeches. These meetings prove most successful, especially those in London, for it is well known that a Londoner will never refuse a free ticket for anything in the shape of an entertainment. The most successful of these efforts, perhaps, is in the Marlebone district, where the Marlebone Liberal and Radical Unions are conducting a series of such meetings or entertainments. These are crowded

or entertainments. These are crowded almost to suffocation.

Under the existing law, when a wife dies intestate, the busband enjoys advantages which, if circumstances were reversed, would not be enjoyed by the widow. He is entitled to the whole of his late wife's personal property, and becomes a legal administrator, and for his own use, of all property not specially settled on her. On the other hand, the widow is entitled to but one-half of her late husband's personal half of her late husband's personal property, and as to reality, has but a life estate in one-third as her dower, the remainder going to the brothers and sisters and more distant relatives. To smend this anomaly a bill has been introduced with powerful support. Among the supporters are Sir Henry James, Mr. Ambrose, Mr. Addison and many others of the legal profession. The bill places the position of the husband and wife in the same relation after the death of one has econyred in all care. death of one has occurred, in all cases where the estate is under £500. Where over, the sum would be deducted for the benefit of the widow before any distribution is made. There are many legal technicalities in the way of this reform, but in substance it is one which

will be generally approved.

An international conference on fishery questions will be held in London next August. It has been called by the British Government, and the invitations to the various European powers have already been issued. The conference will deal mainly with questions of international boundaries in deep sea fishing.

fishing.

Although in many points the new German Chancellor and Prince Bismarck are physically similar, in one important point they differ. Bismarck has a small weak voice, strikingly incongruous with his robust physique, while General Caprivi is blessed with a clear, sonorous voice. Bismarck's a clear, sonorous voice. Bismarck's speeches generally had plenty of matter in them, but his words lost a good deal in effect in delivery. The new Chancellor is more likely to shine in the manner of his speaking. It is pleasant to note that the General Caprivi owed a good deal of is first distinction to the courtesy and tact with which, as censor of press telegrams during the Bohemian campaign authorities and to please the newspaper correspondents.

## A NEW MINISTER.

The Portuguese Official Who Will Look After Public Demonstrations, Lisnon, April 7.-By the decree of the Crown a special Ministry of Education is created, and Senhor Arroyo, at present Colonial Minister, is appointed to its direction. The new department assumes the regulation of the right of public meeting and the authority to empower police or magisterial officials to rohibit entertainments at which public institutions or persons may be attacked. Under the regulations of the new department the liberty of the press is guarinteed under certain conditions. Senhor Vilhena will succeed Senhor Arroyo as Minister of Colonies.

AS IN ALSACE-LORRAINE.

Evacuation of Egypt by the English Urged in France. Paris, April 8 .- Le Siecle urges the

government to hasten the renewal of its demands upon Great Britain for the evacuation of Egypt by her forces. The paper asserts that France never asented to the presence of British troops on the Nile any more than she assented the occupation of Alsace and Lorraine by the Germans.

One of the Davies Boys Hanged LONDON, April 8 .- Richard Davies. who, together with his younger brother, George, was sentenced to death for the murder of their father, was hanged at Crewe to-day. George Davies was respited by the Home Secretary a few

Died of His Injuries. LONDON, April 8 .- Mr. J. S. Morgan. the London banker, who was thrown from his carriage last week at Monte

days ago.

Carlo, died to day at that place from his injuries. The Duke of Orleans Pardoned. Paris, April 8 .- The Rappel says that decree will be issued to-morrow par-

doning the Duke of Orleans. BERLIN, April 8 .- All of the striking miners in Gelsenkirchen have returned

From the Evanston Chieftain.
The "ole man" Is now on deck again, and can generally be found in his luxurious sanctum when not otherwise engaged in sawing wood or shoveling snow. We're out of the land office. Now, we have tried most everything except the insane asylum and some of our 'very dear' friends are making strenuous efforts in our behalf to increase our varied experience in that direction.

More Money in the Ring,

From the Chicago Tvibus When a prize fighter weighing only 134 pounds can make \$22,000 by the simple process of whipping another fighter of equal weight there is little enouragement for the average man to fatten himself at heavy expense for the dime museum stage.

STORY OF DUPLICITY,

A Chicago Man's Scheme to Get Ahead of His Creditors.

NEW YORK, April 8 .- A Herald spe cial from Chicago says that the details of a fraud in connection with the fallure, in 1887, of the great barbed-wire manufacturers, Sherman & Marsh, have just come to light. It appears that Eben J. Marsh, managing partner of the firm, seeing that failure was inevita-ble, laid his plans to deceive the creditors and to feather his own nest. He entered into a conspiracy with Charles H. Lane, a New York broker, to make it appear that he (Marsh) was speculating heavily in stocks. Marsh then lating heavily in stocks. Marsu the bought up as much wire on credit as he possibly could, stored it in warehouses money on the receipts. and borrowed money on the receipts In this way he got together about \$150, 000. This he placed in Lane's hands to be held for Marsh until after the failure of the firm. For his services Lane was to get \$25,000. When the failure of the firm was announced Marsh confessed to the creditors that showed receipts from Lane to prove his assertion. While this was being investigated Lane took all of the \$150,000 vestigated Lane took all of the \$150,000 and left the country. Marsh followed him to Europe, but was unable to find him. In the meantime the creditors of the firm put detectives on Lane's track, and it is understood they found him and induced him to give up \$75,000. Marsh was also taken in hand by the creditors and compelled to turn over to them \$25,000. compelled to turn over to them \$25,000 which he had realized on some Chicago real estate. Marsh is now said to be a salesman for a lumber firm in Baton Rouge, La.

HUDDLED ON HIGH GROUND.

People and Cattle Suffering Severely

LITTLE ROCK, ARK., April 8.-The following account of the overflow in Chicot County has been received from John B. Simms of Lake Village: "The situation here is distressing. There are many breaks in the levee from Lake Village up and water in the swamps has risen to within a foot of the 1882 flood. Little dry ground is to be seen. The streets are all under water, except Front streets are all under water, except Front street, and water is running across it. The live-stock is huddled upon the high banks and will soon begin to die of starvation. Travel is suspended, except by dug outs. The water is still rising. Much suffering is sure to ensue." NEW ORLEANS, LA., April 8 .- The levee at St. Sophie, thirty-six miles be-low this city, gave way yesterday morn-

ing, forming a crevasse six feet wide and four feet deep. All hands turned to at once and closed the gap in a few hours. There are now no gaps in the levee on the east bank between New Orleans and the Guife Orleans and the Gulf. A crevasse twenty feet wide and seven feet deep was caused yesterday about two miles below Hahnville. Fortunately there were enough men and material at hand and the break was soon

patched up.
State Engineer Richardson, speaking
of the reported cutting of Opossum
Fork levee, says the levee was cut in
1859 for the same reason as now and remained open during the war.

WICKED LIGHTNING-ROD AGENTS

They Seduce One of the Belles of Townsend, Del. BRIDGETON, April 8.—Bessie Davis one of the village belies of Townsend Del., last Thursday left a note for her father that she would visit friends in Bridgeton for a few days. Bessle is only 16 years old, and her father, thinking she should have a chaperone, inquired further into the case, only to find that three young men accompanied her on her Easter pilgrimage. These three men have been boarding with Davis for several days, while they sold lightning rods to the farmers of the neighborhood of Townsend. One of the gang, a married man, was especially smitten with the gay maiden, and they are now located at Atlantic City. Ar-

#### rests will be maed. WORK OF WOMEN.

A Distinguished Company Present at the Opening Exhibitio

New York, April 8 .- The exhibition of the exchange of woman's work was opened at the Lenox Lyceum last night by a reception tendered by the board of managers to Thomas A. Edison. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Grover Cleveland and many other distinguished persons, besides the entire board of persons, besides the entire board of of managers, among whom are Mrs. Andrew Carnegie, Mrs. George Hoadly, Mrs. S. B. Elkins, Mrs. Henry Villard, Mrs. John Patton, Mrs. C. R. Agnew, Mrs. B. H. Bristow, Mrs. F. R. Cou-dert, Mrs. W. E. Dodge and Mrs. F. B. Thurber. The exhibition will be open until May 15.

Strange Electric Tragedy, St. John, N. B., April 8 .- Matilda Louise Shumack, 15 years old, died here y esterday from an electric shock. While at the Salvation Army barracks she noker, and at the same time she unconclously caught an iron post, thus completing the circuit. She received heavy shock, and after a few hours' illness died in great agony.

LOUISVILLE, KY., April 8.-The Spurlocks, Days and others representing both the Howard and Turner factions have held a pow-wow. Both sides have agreed to suspend hostilities and forever bury the hatchet. It was

also agreed that should any more bush

whacking take place both sides would turn out and hunt the assassin down. Death of a Railroad President, St. Joseph, Mo., April 8 .- Colonel Winslow Judson, president of the St. Joseph, St. Louis and Santa Fe Railroad Company, died at his residence in this city yesterday afternoon of paraly-sis. He was a son of the late General

R. W. Judson of New York. Panama Railroad Affairs. NEW YORK, April 8.—The Panama Railroad directors were re-elected to-

he had been hastening to town to get a physician for his dying wife, and he was released. When he arrived home day. The gross earnings for 1889 were about \$1,500,000 less than for 1888, his wife was dead. owing to the loss of local traffic incident to canal operations. Profitable Patients, BROOKLYN, N.Y., April 8 .- Theodore From the New York Marine Journal, Wilcox, superintendent of the Brooklyn It is not generally known that the Hospital, was yesterday sentenced to four years' imprisonment for swindling the county by charging for the care of City of Paris has never been formally accepted by the Inman Line. By the mythical patients. terms of the contract she was to make a certain number of trips under certain onditions. These would have been complied with had she arrived in Liver-

Neither Whipped,

NEWBURG, N. Y., April 8 .- While pool on this, the trip she broke down. What the result of this accident will be in connection with her acceptance is Italians were settling a quarrel with fists Sunday night on the West Shore track a train struck them, killing one a matter between the prospective own ers and the builders. nstantly and fatally injuring the PROPHETSTOWN SWEPT

BY A DEVASTATING CYCLONE AND SALEM, VA., April 8 .- During the MANY INJURED. thunder-storm night before last a large oak tree in the Masonie graveyard of

Wires Down, and Particulars Can Only Be Learned with Difficulty-Conflicting Reports as to the Killed-Great Suffering Reported.

rent from top to bottom. White looking at the ruins this morning Mr. Matthew Turner, who has charge of the cemetery, spied an object which had fallen from the cloven trunk. Picking it up and cutting away the mass of BUBLINGTON, IOWA, April 8 .- A re eport reached here last night that the moss, fungus and earth with which it was crusted over, he found that it was a large, old-fashioned teapot of solid town of Prophetstown, in Whitside County, Ills., was swept by a cyclone last evening. Every house in the vil-lage is reported to have been demol-ished and many people were killed and injured. Prophetstown is a thriving little town of about 800 inhabitants on Opening it he discovered that it contained the skull of an infant a few days old, and further investigation showed the teapot to bear an inscription, running "From D. T. to R. L., 1823."
The teapot, which is now on exhibition at Ripley's drug store, has found no claimant as yet, and, owing to the great length of the state of t the south bank of Rock River, about sixteen miles south of Sterling. It is on the line of the Fulton and Clinton Railroad, but the telegraph wires have been prostrated by the storm which has length of time the teapot had evidently been in the tree, any clue to the crime indicated by the skull will probably be undiscoverable. The teapot is most beautifully engraved and quite massive and of great value, as well for its antique design. prevailed during the evening, and no further information will be obtainable for several hours, or until a party can be organized to proceed to the scene of the disaster. The information so far obtained was telegraphed by an operator at a station near Prophetstown. He said that the town was a complete wreck, and that the loss of life must be heavy. A train of forty stock cars standing on a side track was literally Fourteen Places in the City Struck by Lightning. blown to atoms and the cattle all killed. Fragments from the buildings in the MILEVILLE, N. J., April 8 .- The inhabitants of this city witnessed one of town were carried through the air for the heaviest thunder storms that has

long distances. St. Louis, April 8.—The trainmen on a stock train which pulled out of Prophetstown just after the disaster, say that either a tornado or cyclone

ville was struck by lightning and com-pletely shattered. Frank H. Weber narrowly escaped being struck while standing in George W. Weber's phar-macy, and flashes could be seen along many of the wires suspended above the swept down upon the town and the ruin was terrible. They say that fully fifty lives must have been lost.

The railroad depot was blown down and the station agent was buried beneath the ruins. A small Presbyterian church on the wain street was blown down. The store of Mrs. Lizzie Wamsley, on High street, was struck by lightning, which tore off part of the weather boarding and broke a large plate glass on the main street was blown down and the steeple carried fully one hun-dred yards. The only names of the dead now obtainable are William Vance, window. Mrs. Wamsley narrowly es-caped death. Other houses and trees station agent, buried in the ruins of the were struck, but very little damage oc-curred. The lightning struck fourteen depot; Charles Murry, an old man who worked for the railroad, killed by a freight car being blown over on him; Frank Wilson (or Nelson), a railroad man, who lived near the depot, killed

in the ruins of his own house. The trainmen think that the eight persons in the Wilson or Nelson house have been killed.

New York, April 8 .- The new dodge CHICAGO, April 8 .- The conductor of setting a man on fire, and robbing him on the Buriington Railroad who left Mendota at 4 o'clock says the damage while putting out the blaze, was put in reported at Prophetstown, Ill., has been exaggerated. The telegraph manager Harry Gerkin and Albert Kunsburg are the well-known New York pickpockets who did it, and their victim was Mr. Louis Appman of No. 177 Union street, at Mendota is communicating with Prophetstown, and reported that a railway depot, one elevator and severa frame buildings had been destroyed He says that there had been no loss of a bottle on his coat-tail; the other threw a lighted and inextinguishable match thereon; both yelled: "Help! help! a man on fire!" chased and caught the burning victim, and, while one of them life. Several persons were injured but no names could be obtained. At the general offices of the Chicago Burlington and Quincy Railway a re port of the disaster was received by the superintendent at 11 o'clock this morning. The report was to the effect that the newspaper reports and first versions were greatly exaggerated. But few buildings were partially wrecked and but six persons were slightly injured. No deaths will tective O'Connor had seen it all and

A special from Clinton, Iowa, says A heavy storm at Prophetstown, Iil. last night blew down the Chicago, Bur-lington & Quincy Depot and unroofed an elevator. Several houses were also blown down. Several persons were injured, but no lives were lost. The telegraph wires are all down and only

meagre reports are obtainable. GLASS WORKS BURNED,

Damage to the Extent of \$25,000 to an Illinois Factory. STREATOR, ILL., April 8 .- The main glass factory building of the United Glass Company, in this city, burned yesterday morning. The fire is sup-

posed to have originated either from superheated steam-heating pipes or from the explosion of a kerosene lamp in the flattening room. The buildings burned rapidly, and before the flames could be controlled about two thirds of the factory buildings were destroyed. There was \$26,000 insurance on the plant, about \$18,000 of which applied on the destroyed portion. The total damage is estimated at about \$25,000.

## JEALOUSY AND MURDER,

Fought for One Girl. Hennerson, Kr., April 8 .- James Wells, a 16-year-old boy, and Eugene Cornell, probably two years his senior. have been paying attentions to the head. The latter drew a revolver, when Cornell turned and ran for his life. Wells gave chase and fired two or three times, one shot taking effect

The Pittsburg Walk.

PITTSBURG, April 8.-1 p. m. score Howorth, 170; Herty, 165; Noremac, 162; Hughes, 156; Connors, 153; No-lan, 145; Horan, 142; Day, 136 miles, 14 laps; Golden, 136 miles 13 laps; Hegelman, 125; Guerrero, 123; Crozier, Fox, 114; Burns, 107; Holesbeke,

AURORA, ILL., April 8 .- Thirty cases of trichinosis have been reported to the nealth authorities in this disease started in the family of August resulted from eating bologna sausage.

St. IGNACE, MICH., April 8.-The steam barge Sachem, from Cleveland for ice, arrived at 1 p. m. yesterday via the North Passage. She is the first

Sistare's Assignment, NEW YORK, April 8.-George K. Sistare's Sons have made an assign-

Pay Department Changes. Pay Director Washington has been detached from the Norfolk Navy Yard and Pay Director McMurray has been CRAZY DR. WAGNER'S CASE.

The Civil Suits Dismissed and Insan ity Pleaded in His Defense, FREDERICKSBURG, VA., April 8,-The case of Dr. Harrison Wagner and his libel suits, instituted in the County of Stafford for nearly two million of dollars against the Adams Express Company, came up before Judge Barton, presiding in the Circuit Court of that county yesterday. The doctor's coursel, Judge John T. Goolrick, argued for a continuance, on the ground that the trial of the civil cases in the Circuit Court would injure his client's case in the County Court, where he was indicted for felony. Judge Barton dismissed the cases, saying that the rules were within his court, and that he

# a plea of insanity.

She Says She Never Sald Unkind Things About Mrs, Kendal,

of her alleged criticism of Mrs. Kendal. The diva denies the entire story attributed to her which called forth the alleged strictures from the great English society actress. When a reporter called on Mme. Patti to-day she said: "You have come about those reports in the papers re Mrs. Kendal, have you

rival, and, if she were, I could not speak so mean of any one."
"Do you believe that Mrs. Kendal spoke as she is reported to have done?"

"Decidedly not. It is far too slangy for Mrs. Kendal or any other self re-specting woman, and that alone ought to stamp it as a fraud.'

"The Kendal story is a falsehood. I have not had the pleasure of seeing or knowing her, and have therefore no occasion of criticising the lady. Kindly publish the denial to the fullest extent and please forward to Mrs. Kendal.

New York, April 8 .- Money on call loaned at 41@5 per cent. Exchange steady; posted rates, 486@488; actual rates, 485@4851 for sixty days, and 487@4871 for demand.

Governments steady; currency 6s, 116 bid; 4's coupons, 122 bid; 44s do., 1034

the hour to noon there was hardly any business done. At this hour the market

is dull, but steady.

The following are the prices of the New York and Chicago markets as reported by special wire to C. T. Havenner & Co., Room 11 Atlantic building 

Iwo Kentucky Youth Who Loved and OATH. same young lady, whose name was not learned. They met on the street and began quarreling. Cornell picked up a barrel stave and struck Wells on the Sales—Regular Co

and causing Cornell's death. Suicided to Please His Wife. FORT SMITH, ARE., April 8.-J. S. Skidmore, a well-known architect and engineer, was found dead in his office yesterday. A letter was found on his desk explaining that he had taken his life because his wife had frequently wished he was dead, and he did it to gratify her. He had taken twelve grains of morphine. Skidmore was given to drinking at times and was inoxicated when he took his life. was a man of considerable means, and his wife a most estimable woman.

walking match: Moore, 174 miles; 102; Taylor, 97; Barclay, 80.

Through the Ice for Ice,

boat to get through

nent to Mr. Davidson, of Fisher and Davidson.

were within his court, and that he knew nothing of the criminal cases. The Adams Express Company was represented by Judge James B. Sener of this city, W. B. Dinsmore of New York, John Q. A. Herring of Baltimore, W. L. Huddell of New York and G. W. Moss of Washington. In the criminal cases against Wagner, in the County Court, his counsel has filed

#### PATTI DENIES,

NEW YORK, April 8.—The divine Pattl is indignant to-day at the report

not? I can tell you I am perfectly in-dignant at such falsehoods. I have never in my life had anything to say about Mrs. Kendal. Why should I? She is unknown to me. She is not my

Patti to-day sent the following telegram to Mrs. De Young of San Fran-

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

The stock market this morning was extremely dull, only about one half the amount of shares being sold as during the same hours of yesterday. The first prices were generally to per cent, higher. In the first half of the first hour there were some further advances, but near 11 o'clock there was some reaction which help reaction. ome reaction, which left prices very little changed from those of yesterday. The features of the hour were Man-battan and sugar trusts. The lastnamed advanced 11 to 641, and Man-battan advanced from 1081 to 1101. In

New York Stocks

The Chicago Markets. WREAT. Open Close PORK. Open Close
May ... 80% 81# May ... 19 65 10 67
June ... 81# 81# June ...
July ... 79% 70% July ... 10 90 10 85 CORN.

May ... 304 31 May ... 6 15 6 17
June ... 314 311 June ... 6 27 6 27
July ... 321 324 July ... 6 27 6 27

May ..... 223 224

Washington Stock Exchange. Sales-Regular Call-12 o'clock m .-D. C. 6s of 1892, \$500 at 105. Columbia National Bank, 15 at 1782. Columbia

National Bank, 15 at 178½. Columbia Fire Insurance, 50 at 18½. U. S. Electric Light, 10 at 115; 5 at 115. American Graphophone, 25 at 14½. Washington Loan and Trust Company, 100 at 3½.

Miscellaneous Bonds — U. S. Electric Lights 1st, 6°s, 100; U. S. Electric Light 2d, 6°s, 115; W. & G. R. R. 10-40 6°s, R°93-23, 105; W. & G. Convertible, 6°s, 195; Masonic Hall Ass'n, 5°s, C 1808, 108; Wash. Market Co., 1st Mort., 6°s, 110; Wash. Market Co., 1st Mort., 6°s, 110; Wash. Market Co., 1st Mort., 6°s, 111; 1al'd & Seaboard Co., 6°s, C 1897, —; Wash. I. L. Infantry, 1st, 6°s, 1904, 100½; Wash. Gas Light Co., Ser. A, 6°s, 120; Wash. Gas Light Co., Ser. B, 6°s, 121; Hygienle Ice Company, 1st Mort., 6s, 100.

National Bank Stocks-Bank of Wash ington, 490; Bank of Republic, 250; Metro-politan, 200; Central, 280; Second, 185; Farmers and Mechanics', 188; Citizens',

Farmers and Mechanics, 188; Citizens', 165; Columbia, 176‡; Capital, 118; West End, 79.

Railroad Stocks — Washington and Georgetown, 275; Metropolitan, 160; Co-lumbia, 74‡; Capitol and North O Street, 66‡; Eckington and Soldier's Home, 65; Georgetown and Tennallytewn, 48; Bright-wood, 38‡. Insurance Stocks—Firemen's, 44: Frank-n, 57; Metropolitan, 83; National Union, b; Arlington, 180; Corcoran, 63; Colum-20; Arlington, ise, Coron, 180; Potomse, bia, 184; German-American, 180; Potomse,

88; Riggs, 9; People's 52.
Title Insurance Stocks—Real Estate
Title, 12s; Columbia Title, 61; Washington Gas and Electric Light Stocks—Washing-ton Gas, 44: Georgetown Gas, 46; U. S. Electric Light, 114.

Electric Light, 114.

Telephone Stocks—Pennsylvania, 29‡; Chesapeake and Potomac, 85; American Graphophone, 14‡.

Miscellaneous Stocks.—Washington Market Co., 18; Washington Brick Machine Co., 675; Great Falls Ice Co., 210; Bull Run Panorama Co., 22; National Safe Deposit, 220; Washington Safe Deposit, 130; Washington Loan and Trust Co., 32; National Typographic, 23; Mergenthaler, 12; Pneumstic Gun Carriage, 4; Wash. Loan and Trust Co., 40; Lincoln Hall, 80; Hygienic Ice Co., 28.

Ice Co., 28,

From the American Grocer, Young Callow-I say, fellow, I'm in great hurry. Give me two pounds of dog biscuit. Clarkson (formerly in gents' furnish-

WALLACE FILLY WINS.

RESULT OF THE INITIAL RACE OF THE CLOSING DAY.

Creditable and Successful Outcome of the Washington Jockey Club's Efforts-Well-Deserved Congratula-

tions... Events on To-Day's Card.

The Washington Jockey Club close1 is inaugural meeting to-day. The entire meeting has proved highly succossful in every sense of the word, and reflects great credit upon the gestlemen, who, in a few short months, transformel a truck garden into as pretty a rare track as can be found sou h of Nev York, and which, in its appointments and accommodations, compares fare rally with any track in the country. The new club has worked wonders in the brief time at its command, and its success is a well-deserved tril ute to its popularity among the

turf patrons of the city. The club has also been highly favored with good weather, and the attendance throughout the meeting has been excellent. The racing, too, has been of a high order and entirely satisfied. factory, the only two races about which there was any trouble being the Bessanto-Murphy race and the alleged pull-

ing of Bess yesterday. That any taint of crookedness should arise at the first meeting is to be deplored, but there has been no evidence that such was the case, for if it had, a prompt investigation would have been

nade by the club. The races were continued to-day, notwithstanding the threatening and in-clement weather. It is the first bad day the club has experienced, and the attendance was smaller than usual. Most of to day's patrons were men, who were engaged in a final shy at fortune to re-coup themselves for the losses of previous days, but they were as unsuccessful as before.

ful as before.

The rain did not injure the track much. It was in fairly good condition, and the racing was just as exciting and the finishes as spirited as though the sun was shining brightly and the grand stand filled with pretty women. First Race. The first event on the card to-

day was a half mile for two-

year olds. The starters were Sequence, colt, 110; Coriolanus, 110; Rodgers, 20 to 1 and 8 to 1; Addison, 8 to 5 and 3 to 5; Cerise colt, 110, Stoval, 2 to 1 and 4 to 5; Wallace, filly, 107, Maynard, 8 to 5 and 3 to 5. Helen S. was scratched. The small field was easily started, and they flew along to the turn in a shower of mud with Coriolanus in the lead, Cerise colt second and Wallace filly third. They ran in this order around into the stretch, when the filly gained on the leaders, and, passing Coriolanus, came down neck and neck with the Cerise coit. The filly passed under the wire a winner by scarcely more than a nose from the Cerise colt, with Sequence colt

The finish was a most exciting one. Time, 51 seconds. The entries in the other events are: Second race, beaten horses, selling allowances, 2 mile—Dave S., 94; King Idler, 160; Facial B., 94; Trousers, 91; Not Guilty, 94; Fountain, 94; Blas, 95; Vivid, 107; Mamie Hay, 101; Aquasco, 94; My Own, 89; Sandy Brown, 83; Consignee, 86.

Third race, handleap, 1 mile—Prather, 115; Frank Ward, 100; Manhattan, 105; Vandergrift, 103; Infatuation, 87; Gypsy King, 87.

Fourth race, ? mile—Onward, 195; Long Time, 121; Blue Line, 114; Pelham, 111; Tom Kerns, 119; Vivid, 106 Fifth race, selling, 1 1-16 miles—Pall Mall, S1; Village Maid, 101; Shotover, 99; Cornelia, 88; Parthian, 96; Lita, 91. Tips From the Track Bassanio's second victory over Murphy yesterday ought to be conclusive evidence that the former race was won on its merits. Murphy cannot

give Mooney's gelding ten pounds and a beating. McCoy's horses are in splendid trim and they will make the others hustle

throughout the summer. The talk of the alleged pulling of Bess yesterday was foolish. Davis and Hall are as honest turfmen as there are, and Joyner, their trainer, has a reputation that has never been sulfied. As a matter of fact, Bess is not in good condition and has been beaten by horses who are in nowise her equal. be hoped that a thorough investigation

will be made of Mr. Kelly's charges. The Cerise colt will surprise some of the knowing ones this summer. Jennings will keep his string here intil about the middle of May. of his horses are in good condition and he will work them here, in preference

o running them in races they stand no hance of winning.

SWISS REFORMS. Trades' Unions and Sick Relief Asso-ciations to be Formed,

GENEVA, April 8,-At a meeting held t Olten, at which there were present 247 delegates, representing 120,000 workmen, resolutions were adopted providing for the formation of trades nions, associations for the aid of the ick and a system of insurance against accident. Resolutions were also adopted alling for certain amendments to the factory laws now existing which will tend to make them more favorable to

MAY FIGHT FOR WOMEN.

Duels Will be Prohibited Save When Serious Insult is Offered. Benlin, April 8.-Emperor Wilfam, it is stated, will appoint a court of conor to deal with the quarrels beween the officers in the army. only grounds upon which a duel will be permitted to be fought, it is learned. are: An insult to a lady relative or fiance, or a blow when an apology is refused by the offender.

A Past Grand Master Dead Albany, N. Y., April 8.—Hon. Edmurd L. Judson, ex-mayor, died this morning, aged 60 years. He was a past grand master of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons in this State and a sovereign grand inspector-constal in the Ancient Accepted Scot. ceneral in the Ancient Accepted Scot-

NEW YORK, April 8.—The World's St. Joseph, Mo., special says that Richard Proctor, aged 20, only son of he late famous astronomer, Proctor, has become insane, and it has been decided to confine him in an No Ball Game,

The ball game has been declared off on account of the wet grounds. Local Weather Forecast

For the District of Columbia, Maryland, and Virginia, rain; cooler; southeasterly

ing goods)-Yes, sir; for yourself, sir?